

Table 36. First-professional degrees awarded, by citizenship, race/ethnicity, and sex of recipient: 1991-2000

Citizenship and race/ethnicity	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	2000
Total									
Total	72,636	74,801	76,068	76,000	76,457	77,505	79,169	78,945	79,578
U.S. citizens and permanent residents, total ¹	71,550	73,459	74,520	74,563	74,846	75,873	77,515	77,162	77,720
White, non-Hispanics	59,692	59,869	60,338	58,476	58,239	58,179	58,769	57,551	56,708
Asians/Pacific Islanders	3,772	4,757	5,107	5,759	6,277	6,513	7,234	7,547	8,189
Underrepresented minorities, total	6,984	7,334	8,075	8,314	8,877	9,501	9,846	10,001	10,194
Black, non-Hispanics	3,535	3,568	4,078	4,329	4,657	4,905	5,153	5,310	5,292
Hispanics	3,191	3,472	3,632	3,623	3,816	4,143	4,192	4,147	4,361
American Indians or Alaskan Natives	258	294	365	362	404	453	501	544	541
U.S. citizens and permanent residents, unknown race/ethnicity	1,102	1,499	1,000	2,014	1,453	1,680	1,666	2,063	2,629
Nonresident aliens ²	1,086	1,342	1,548	1,437	1,611	1,632	1,654	1,783	1,858
Men									
Total	44,226	45,459	45,565	45,068	45,193	45,182	45,747	45,033	43,976
U.S. citizens and permanent residents, total ¹	43,464	44,511	44,462	44,053	44,112	44,064	44,619	43,886	42,800
White, non-Hispanics	36,926	37,089	36,896	35,526	35,409	34,972	35,077	34,007	32,324
Asians/Pacific Islanders	2,171	2,728	2,831	3,139	3,423	3,483	3,887	3,903	4,185
Underrepresented minorities, total	3,663	3,831	4,122	4,155	4,388	4,589	4,679	4,762	4,819
Black, non-Hispanics	1,653	1,620	1,777	1,851	2,036	2,058	2,139	2,229	2,210
Hispanics	1,868	2,054	2,156	2,088	2,134	2,281	2,258	2,251	2,335
American Indians or Alaskan Natives	142	157	189	216	218	250	282	282	274
U.S. citizens and permanent residents, unknown race/ethnicity	704	863	613	1,233	892	1,020	976	1,214	1,472
Nonresident aliens ²	762	948	1,103	1,015	1,081	1,118	1,128	1,147	1,176
Women									
Total	28,410	29,342	30,503	30,932	31,264	32,323	33,422	33,912	35,602
U.S. citizens and permanent residents, total ¹	28,086	28,948	30,058	30,510	30,734	31,809	32,896	33,276	34,920
White, non-Hispanics	22,766	22,780	23,442	22,950	22,830	23,207	23,692	23,544	24,384
Asians/Pacific Islanders	1,601	2,029	2,276	2,620	2,854	3,030	3,347	3,644	4,004
Underrepresented minorities, total	3,321	3,503	3,953	4,159	4,489	4,912	5,167	5,239	5,375
Black, non-Hispanics	1,882	1,948	2,301	2,478	2,621	2,847	3,014	3,081	3,082
Hispanics	1,323	1,418	1,476	1,535	1,682	1,862	1,934	1,896	2,026
American Indians or Alaskan Natives	116	137	176	146	186	203	219	262	267
U.S. citizens and permanent residents, unknown race/ethnicity	398	636	387	781	561	660	690	849	1,157
Nonresident aliens ²	324	394	445	422	530	514	526	636	682

¹ Racial/ethnic categories are as designated on the survey form. These categories include U.S. citizens and foreign citizens on permanent visas (i.e., resident aliens who have been admitted for permanent residency).

² Nonresident aliens include foreign citizens on temporary visas only.

NOTES: Detailed national data were not released for the academic year ending 1999 by the National Center for Education Statistics.

First-professional degrees are defined as those that require at least 6 years of college work for completion and 2 years of pre-professional training. First-professional degrees include: Chiropractic, Dentistry, Medicine, Optometry, Osteopathic Medicine, Pharmacy, Podiatry, Veterinary Medicine, Law, Divinity/Ministry, and Rabbinical and Talmudic Studies.

SOURCE: Tabulated by National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics; data from Department of Education/National Center for Education Statistics: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System Completions Survey